Australia's Standby Policy

ACEEE Summer Study, 2002

Nationwide adoption of 'one-watt' goal

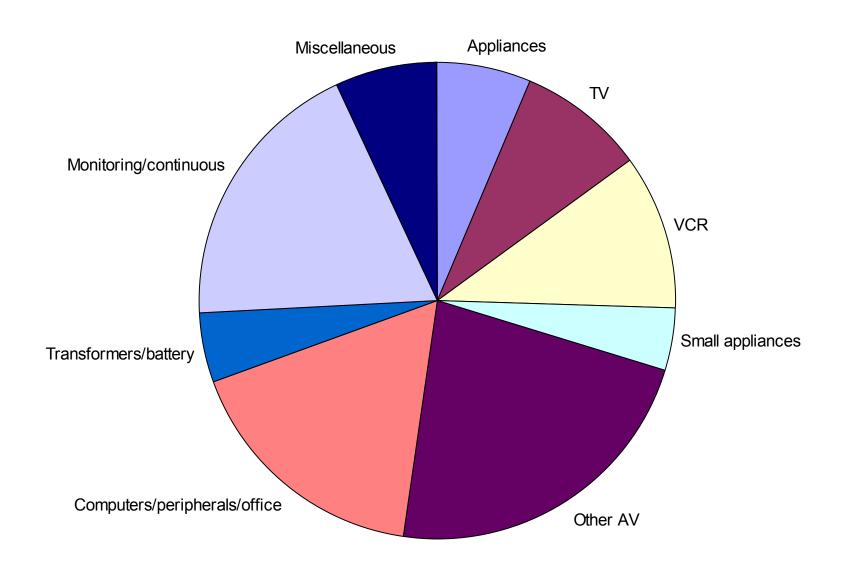
The first action came in August 2000, when all Australian jurisdictions agreed to:

"...pursue efficiencies in standby power consumption of energy-consuming products, through support for the International Energy Agency's One –Watt program, and endorse its incorporation into the...program of work."

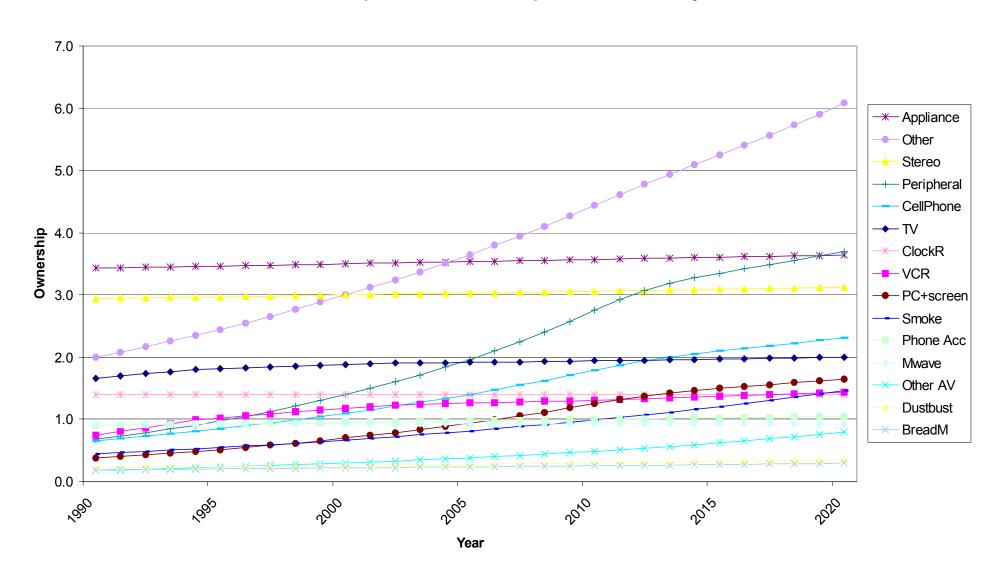
The size of the problem

- Survey of 61 houses in 2000 –
 measurements on 2500 products
- Estimated total standby of around 90W
- Includes small continuous loads
- Around 25 product per house use some power in lowest mode, wide range of product types
- Estimated growth of 7% per annum!!

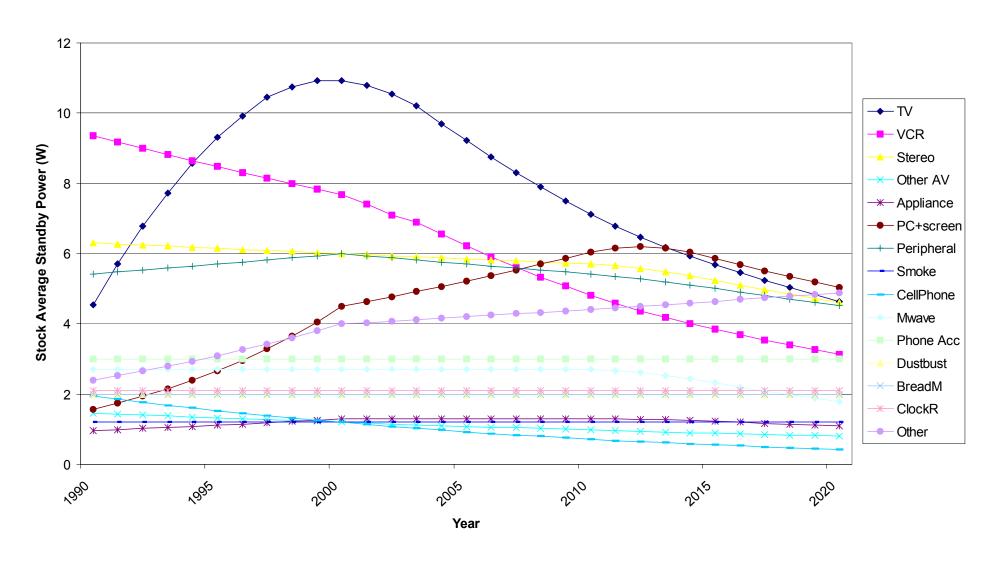
Residential Standby Composition - Australia



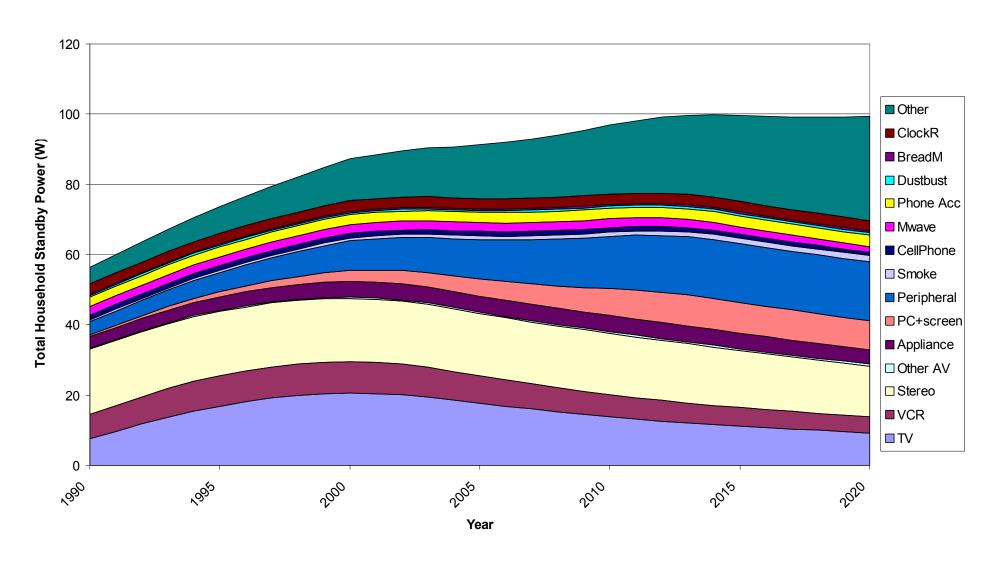
Ownership Trends - Residential products with standby



Standby Power Profile by Product - Base Case



Household Standby Power - Base Case



Developing a National Strategy

- A national strategy is being developed to realise the 'one-watt' goal by 2012
- Maintains existing measures and incorporates new ones
- Product specific plans will be developed to deal with individual problem product types
- Developed against backdrop of international action

Developing a National Strategy cont'd

Defining a national strategy fulfils three objectives:

- Ensuring that Australia significantly reduces standby energy consumption, and thus greenhouse gas emissions, within a set time frame
- Giving certainty and advance notice to industry
- Ensuring that consumers do not bear unnecessary costs of excessive standby energy use



Measures

Existing

- EnergyStar
- Energy Rating Label
- Annual in-store survey



Proposed (voluntary)

- Industry code of conduct
- Australian Standard
- Publication of standby statistics

Proposed (mandatory)

- Warning label
- Minimum performance standards

More information

Australia has released a discussion paper entitled:

- Standby Power Consumption
 - A long-term strategy to achieve Australia's One-Watt Goal 2002 to 2012
 - Can be found online at:

www.greenhouse.gov.au/energyefficiency/appliances/naeeec/standby/discussion-july02.html

Also www.energyefficient.com.au

